

SUPREME COURT  
State of Delaware

2022 Annual Report Statistical Information

## SUPREME COURT

<b>Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2021-2022 - Filings</b>				
	2021	2022	Change	% Change
Criminal Appeals	165	213	48	29.1%
Civil Appeals	242	202	-40	-16.5%
Certifications	3	0	-3	-100%
Original Applications	22	7	-15	-68.2%
Bd. on Prof. Resp.	6	5	-1	-16.7%
Bd. of Bar Exam	0	3	3	0%
Advisory Opinions	0	1	1	0%
Other	0	1	1	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>-1.4%</b>

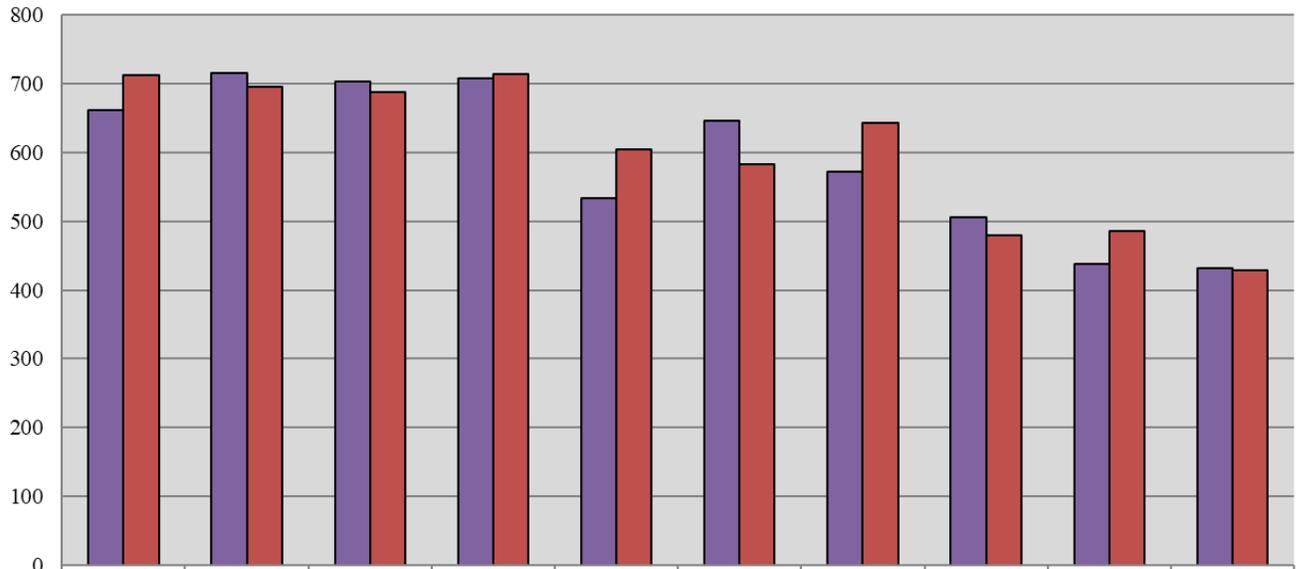
<b>Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2021-2022 - Dispositions</b>				
	2021	2022	Change	% Change
Criminal Appeals	202	175	-27	-13.4%
Civil Appeals	253	240	-13	-5.1%
Certifications	1	2	1	100%
Original Applications	23	6	-17	-73.9%
Bd. on Prof. Resp.	6	3	-3	-50%
Bd. of Bar Exam	0	1	1	0%
Advisory Opinions	0	0	0	0%
Other	0	1	1	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>-57</b>	<b>-11.8%</b>

Bd. on Prof. Resp. = Board on Professional Responsibility.

Bd. of Bar Exam. = Board of Bar Examiners.

Source: Court Administrator and Clerk of the Supreme Court; Administrative Office of the Courts.

## Supreme Court 10-Year Total Caseload Trend



	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Filings	661	716	703	707	533	646	572	505	438	432
Dispositions	712	696	687	714	604	583	643	480	485	428

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### Caseload Breakdowns - Fiscal Year 2022 - Filings

	Court of Chancery		Superior Court		Family Court		Non-Court Originated		Total	
Criminal Appeals	0	0%	213	100%	0	0%	0	0%	213	100%
Civil Appeals	61	30.2%	80	39.6%	61	30.2%	0	0%	202	100%
Other*	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	17	100%	17	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>14.1%</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>67.8%</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>14.1%</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>3.9%</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>100%</b>

### Caseload Breakdowns - Fiscal Year 2022 - Dispositions

	Court of Chancery		Superior Court		Family Court		Non-Court Originated		Total	
Criminal Appeals	0	0%	175	100%	0	0%	0	0%	175	100%
Civil Appeals	60	25.0%	99	41.3%	81	33.8%	0	0%	240	100%
Other*	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	13	100%	13	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>14.0%</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>64.0%</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>18.9%</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>3.0%</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>100%</b>

\*Includes Original Applications; Certifications; Advisory Opinions; Appeals from the Board on Professional Responsibility and the Board of Bar Examiners; and Other Filing & Disposition Types.

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Types of Dispositions - Fiscal Year 2022										
	Affirmed		Affirmed Part/Reversed Part		Reversed		Remanded		Voluntary Dismissal	
Criminal Appeals	105	60.0%	1	0.6%	6	3.4%	8	4.6%	7	4.0%
Civil Appeals & Other	126	49.8%	9	3.6%	17	6.7%	2	0.8%	27	10.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>54.0%</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>7.9%</b>
	Court Dismissal		Leave to Appeal Denied		Other*				Total	
Criminal Appeals	48	27.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%			175	100%
Civil Appeals & Other	52	20.6%	14	5.5%	6	2.4%			253	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>23.4%</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3.3%</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1.4%</b>			<b>428</b>	<b>100%</b>

Percentages may not total 100 due to rounding.

## Methods of Dispositions - Fiscal Year 2022

	Assigned Opinion		Per Curiam Opinion		Written Order	
Criminal Appeals	13	7.4%	0	0%	155	88.6%
Civil Appeals	36	15.0%	1	0%	177	73.8%
Certifications	1	50%	0	0%	1	50%
Original Applications	0	0%	0	0%	6	100%
Bd. on Prof. Resp.	0	0%	1	33%	2	66.7%
Bd. of Bar Exam.	0	0.0%	0	0%	0	0.0%
Advisory Opinions	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Other	1	100%	0	0%	0	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>11.9%</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0.5%</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>79.7%</b>

	Voluntary Dismissal		Other		Total	
Criminal Appeals	7	4.0%	0	0%	175	100%
Civil Appeals	26	10.8%	0	0%	240	100%
Certifications	0	0.0%	0	0%	2	100%
Original Applications	0	0.0%	0	0%	6	100%
Bd. on Prof. Resp.	0	0.0%	0	0%	3	100%
Bd. of Bar Exam.	1	100.0%	0	0%	1	100%
Advisory Opinions	0	0%	0	0%	0	-
Other	0	0%	0	0%	1	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>7.9%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>100%</b>

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Performance Summary - Fiscal Year 2022 - Average Elapsed Time to Disposition					
	Number of Dispositions	Average Time From Filing to Disposition		Average Time From Submission to Disposition*	
Criminal Appeals	175	171.1	days	38.4	days
Civil Appeals	240	181.7	days	37.3	days
Certifications	2	307.5	days	70.0	days
Original Applications	6	64.5	days	45.2	days
BPR	3	4.0	days	4.0	days
BBE	1	48.0	days	0.0	days
Advisory Opinions	0	-	days	-	days
Other	1	42.0	days	15.0	days
<b>Total</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>176.3</b>	<b>days</b>	<b>34.8</b>	<b>days</b>

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2021-2022 - Average Time from Filing to Disposition							
	2021		2022		Change		% Change
Criminal Appeals	182.9	days	171.1	days	-11.7	days	-6.4%
Civil Appeals	208.0	days	181.7	days	-26.3	days	-12.7%
Certifications	38.0	days	307.5	days	269.5	days	709.2%
Original Applications	47.6	days	64.5	days	16.9	days	35.5%
BPR	11.3	days	4.0	days	-7.3	days	-64.7%
BBE	-	days	48.0	days	-	days	-
Advisory Opinions	-	days	-	days	-	days	-
Other	-	days	42.0	days	-	days	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>187.5</b>	<b>days</b>	<b>176.3</b>	<b>days</b>	<b>-11.2</b>	<b>days</b>	<b>-6.0%</b>

\*Average time from date submitted for judicial decision to actual date of disposition. The time for a case that is submitted and disposed in the same day is zero. Not all Supreme Court cases require a judicial decision.

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<b>Performance Breakdowns - Fiscal Year 2022 - Elapsed Time by Disposition Type</b>					
	Number of Dispositions	Average Time From Filing to Disposition		Average Time From Submission to Disposition*	
Affirmed	231	228.2	days	44.6	days
Affirmed Part/Reversed Part	10	317.7	days	53.6	days
Reversed	23	333.5	days	62.8	days
Remanded	10	167.4	days	37.5	days
Voluntary Dismissal	34	89.9	days	6.1	days
Court Dismissal	100	70.8	days	18.8	days
Leave to Appeal Denied	14	22.2	days	9.9	days
Other	6	111.5	days	27.8	days
<b>Total</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>176.3</b>	<b>days</b>	<b>34.9</b>	<b>days</b>

<b>Performance Breakdowns - Fiscal Year 2022 - Elapsed Time by Disposition Method</b>					
	Number of Dispositions	Average Time From Filing to Disposition		Average Time From Submission to Disposition*	
Assigned Opinion	51	349.5	days	67.2	days
Per Curiam Opinion	2	161.0	days	35.0	days
Written Order	341	159.4	days	33.3	days
Voluntary Dismissal	34	87.8	days	1.4	days
Other	0	-	days	-	days
<b>Total</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>176.3</b>	<b>days</b>	<b>34.8</b>	<b>days</b>

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